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City Manager Peter Garland prepares a busy day's schedule assisted by his secretary, Mrs. Rita Richmond.

▶ *Ascutney Mountain provides an attractive background for the City of Claremont. This photo from the clock tower atop City Hall provides a panorama of the heart of Claremont at Tremont Square.*

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CITY OFFICIALS

MAYOR

Charles P. Puksta - Ward 3

ASSISTANT MAYOR

Sydney Clarke - Ward 1

CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS

Frank Connor - Ward 2

Donald Fortin - Ward 1

Leo Abbott - Ward 2

Arthur Forrest - Ward 3

Philip Estabrook - Ward 1

Ronald Laramie - Ward 3

CITY MANAGER

Peter A. Garland

FULL-TIME OFFICIALS

Auditor - Jacque Bergeron

City Clerk - Rose Ellen Haugsrud

Public Welfare Director - Margaret DeLude

Building Inspector - Clifford Lamere Jr.

Tax Assessor - Vern Gardner Jr.

Tax Collector - Patricia M. Gould

Treasurer - Jeannine Perry

PART-TIME OFFICIALS

City Solicitor - Robert Buckley Jr.

Health Officer - Wilson R. Haubrich

Meat Inspector - Wilson R. Haubrich

DEPARTMENT HEADS

Cemetery Superintendent - William Lewis

Highway Superintendent - John P. Fennessy

Librarian - Donald Eggert

Claremont Housing Authority - Thomas McCarthy

Recreation and Park Director - Anthony N. Zotto

Water and Sewer Superintendent - Haakon Pederson

Economic Development Commission - George Benway

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief - Paul L. Lovejoy

Deputy Fire Chief - Milton S. Haugsrud

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief of Police - Richard Kaye

POLICE COMMISSION

Robert Arcand

Michael Satzow

Richard Limoges

MUNICIPAL COURT

Judge - Albert D. Leahy Jr.

Clerk - William Lynch

PERSONNEL ADVISORY BOARD

Andre Courtemanche

Fr. Paul Aube

Louis Smith

TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC FUNDS

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Henry C. Hawkins, Jr.

Romas J. Bissonnette

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Sam Bayer

Honorine H. Bourdon

Irving H. Crandall

Wilson R. Haubrich

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Louis C. LaRiccia

Maurice Wernick

James McGuire

Rodney Webster

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William L. Gaffney

Harold L. Woodward

Robert Davis

William A. Kirn Jr.

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William A. Kirn, Jr.

Morey C. Miles

Cynthia McKee

Jacqueline Whitcomb

Harold Woodward

Carmine D'Amante

Mrs. Robert Maxfield

Victor Szalucka

Vincent Perkins

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Nyron Wheeler
Donald Clarke
Richard Arnold

Richard Wahrlich
Raymond Keating
Honorine Bourdon

AIRPORT COMMITTEE

Mayor Charles Puksta

Ronald Laramie

Dr. Philip Estabrook

PUBLIC SAFETY COMMITTEE

Mayor Charles Puksta

Donald Fortin

Theodore Monetta

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE

Arthur Forrest

Frank Connor

Ronald Laramie

PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Sidney Clarke

Dr. Philip Estabrook

Dr. Leo Abbott

TRAFFIC COMMITTEE

Arthur T. Forrest

City Manager Peter Garland

Richard Limoges

PARKING COMMITTEE

Theodore Monetta

Sydney Clarke

Frank Connor

LIBRARY TRUSTEES

Theodore Monetta, Dennis Leger Mrs. Hazel Lord, Mrs. Marion Buckley
Mrs. Eleanor Fletcher, Leslie Currier Louann Hartford, Paul Magoon
Reverend Harold Campbell

TOLLES HOME TRUSTEES

Vincent Perkins, Elsie Knuckey

Anthony Zotto, Katherine Stevens

Dorothy Stever

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Albert Leahy Jr., Rowena Daniels
Peter Bump, George Hardy

Malcolm Hall, Joseph Gorman
Robert Michaud, Melvin Rowe

CITY MANAGER

To the Honorable Mayor, Members of the City Council, and Citizens of Claremont:

It is our pleasure to present the 1972 Annual Report of the City of Claremont, which is also the Twenty-fifth Annual Report under the Council-Manager form of government.

You will note that at the end of the year we had an unappropriated surplus of \$163,442.93. This represents an increase of \$144,284.55 over the previous year. This increase is primarily due to (1) excess of actual over estimated revenues for the year 1972, (2) excess of appropriations over actual expenditures, and (3) transfers of certain accumulated non-revenue cash funds to the Surplus Account.

Since this is my first annual report to you as your City Manager, I would like to take this opportunity to make a few general observations.

1972 marks the end of our first quarter-century as a City. We can look back with pride at our many accomplishments during this period. It would be less than honest of us, however, not to give recognition to the fact that a few mistakes were made along the way, too (after all, we are only human, and the only way not to make any mistakes is to do nothing at all!). We cannot, however, stop and rest on our laurels at this point. Hindsight is only good to the extent that we learn and profit from it.

We are standing on the threshold of a new era for our City. "Mr. Downtown's" arrival upon the scene, sponsored and financed by the Claremont Businessmen's Association, our step toward regional thinking by joining the Upper Valley Planning and Development Council, land acquisition for recreational purposes in the Monadnock Park area, and the receipt of our first Federal Revenue Sharing check are but a few of the events that took place during 1972 which will have far-reaching effects on the lives of all of us.

What we ultimately make of these many opportunities which have and will become available to us will determine the future course of our City. One thing should, therefore, be quite obvious - simply to preserve the status quo would be both social and economic suicide for our Community.

Claremont will only be as good as we ourselves want it to be. Citizen enlightenment and citizen participation are the keys to our future success. The City Council and the various Committees and Commissions which

currently serve our Community cannot do the job alone. We need the cooperation and help of everyone, young and old alike.

For example, it is nowhere near enough to say "Isn't that a shame" in regards to the cemetery vandalism which occurred this past year (see details and picture elsewhere in this Report). We should be outraged by this scandalous event and vow here and now, both as citizens and parents /children, that such a thing will never happen again in Claremont.

Unless we think highly of ourselves and our City we can never expect others to do likewise. Our remaining negative thoughts and deeds of the past must be replaced by positive, constructive thinking and action.

Yes, the past twenty-five years have been good to us. The next twenty-five will be even better and more exciting **if** we want them to be.

In closing, I would like to express my sincere thanks to all of our City Employees, the City Council, Members of our Boards and Commissions, and the many individual citizens, who, because of their generous cooperation and help, have made this transition period as your new City Manager such an easy one for me.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Peter A. Garland", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Peter A. Garland
City Manager

POLICE DEPARTMENT

The Annual Report of the Claremont Police Department will again show an increase in most Department Activities.

The Police Commission, always alert to the needs of our enforcement problems and with an eye to the future, continues to make it possible for our Police Officers to receive the best available training. Training is the key to good law enforcement practices and sound judgement.

The following changes in personnel took place during 1972:

Deputy Police Chief Donald Michaud, passed away on February 5th, after 15 years of dedicated service to the Community and is missed by all of us in the law enforcement profession.

Sergeant Isadore Fleury retired in June on a Disability pension after 24 years of service to the Community.

Officer Stanford P. Mower retired in June after 30 years on the job.

New Men hired were as follows:

Robert Couitt

Brian Hipwell

Robert Jackson

The following Officers attended Police Training Schools:

Chief Richard K. Kaye, Police Management School

Captain Ernest Fausse, Forensic Science School

Captain Albert Bergeron, Breathalyzer Operator School, Babson Institute, Firearms School

Sergeant David Kinson, Breathalyzer School

Sergeant Arthur Bastian, Breathalyzer School

Juvenile Officer Peter Hickey, Juvenile Officers School

Officer Michael Prozzo, Breathalyzer School

Officer Edgar Lunderville, Firearms School

Officer Robert Couitt, Recruit Academy

Officer Brian Hipwell, Recruit Academy

Officer Robert Jackson, Recruit Academy

All Officers attended several one day Seminars at the VoTech, Claremont.



In Memoriam

Deputy Police Chief Donald L. Michaud, 47, of 100-1/2 Pearl Street died at the Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital in Hanover in February of 1972 after a long illness. The native Claremonter began his police career as a Special Police Officer in 1953, was made a Regular Officer in 1955 and became a Sergeant of Police in 1962. His appointment to Deputy Chief was made in 1964; a post he retained until his death. Deputy Chief Michaud was also chairman of the Claremont Civil Defense for many years.

As of 7/1/73 all officers will be required to have a High School Diploma or a G.E.D. Certificate.

As of 7/1/74 all officers will be required by law to attend a course of instruction at the N.H. Police Officers Academy.

During the 1973 year the New Hampshire Police Standards and Training Commission will present several Seminars and Courses on various Police related subjects such as; Accident Investigation, Police Prosecutors, The New Hampshire Criminal Code, Basic and Advanced Fingerprinting, Criminal Investigation, Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs.

In addition to our Regular Force we are supplemented by a Force of 10 Special Officers who work details as assigned.

In the coming year there are certain recommendations I feel I must make and they are as follows:

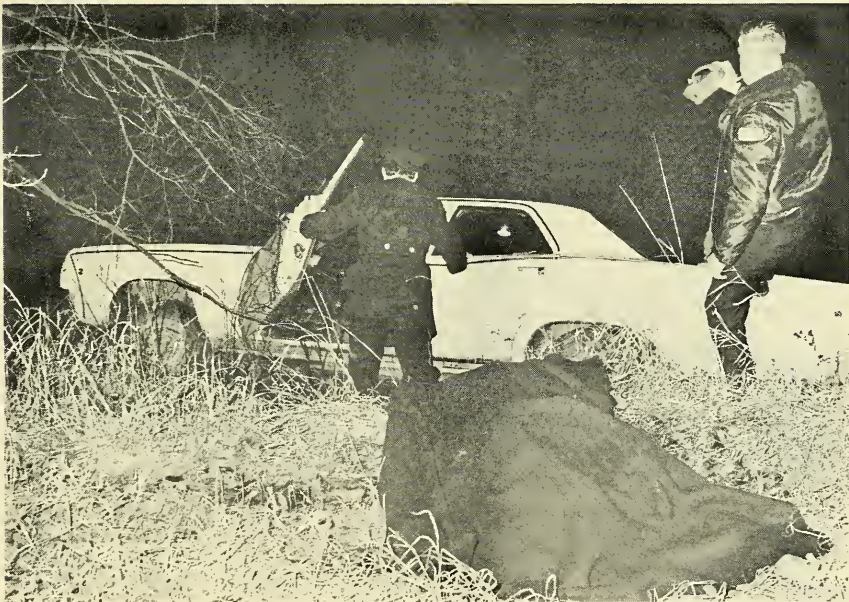
1. A part time Dog Constable with his own vehicle and equipment should be hired and paid on a per dog basis.

2. The physical plant of the Police Department is in bad shape and is in vital need of repair or replacement. We are extremely overcrowded and this is the number one item on the list.
3. The deteriorated condition of the building and insufficient heating plant to take care of the building is second on the list.
4. Ingress and Egress to the building and parking facilities are sadly lacking and are actually dangerous when vehicles are entering or leaving the yard.

Due consideration should be given to the construction of a new building or relocating the Station to an already existing building capable of handling the workload somewhere in the City. If feasible, the Police Station should be within 1/2 mile of the square.

The Board of Police Commissioners for the year 1972 were as follows:
Richard Limoges, Chairman
George Conides
Robert Arcand, Clerk

Police are called upon to investigate many accidents such as this fatal crash in West Claremont.



I wish to express my sincere thanks to the Commission for their cooperation and sincere interest in the operation of the Police Department as well as for the many unpaid hours of their valuable time which they have given to assist us with our problems.

I wish also to acknowledge those people who have made our job easier by their efforts with a Special Thanks to the Men and Women members of the Police Department, to our Mayor & City Council, City Department Heads & their members, to the Honorable Court Judges Albert D. Leahy Sr., Albert D. Leahy Jr., Associate Justice Raymond V. Denault, Clerk of the Court William J. Lynch, to County Attorney Edward J. Tenney II, Sheriff John McCusker and his Staff and the many people in Law Enforcement and the many Friends of law enforcement for a job well done.

Respectfully submitted,

Richard K. Kaye

Chief of Police



Officer Edgar Lunderville and Captain Albert Bergeron recovered a quantity of marijuana plants during one drug investigation in 1972.



Police Chief Richard Kaye and Mayor Charles Puksta proudly accepted the fourth citation from this AAA official citing Claremont for pedestrian safety. Claremont was one of 100 cities from a field of 2,002 presented this award.

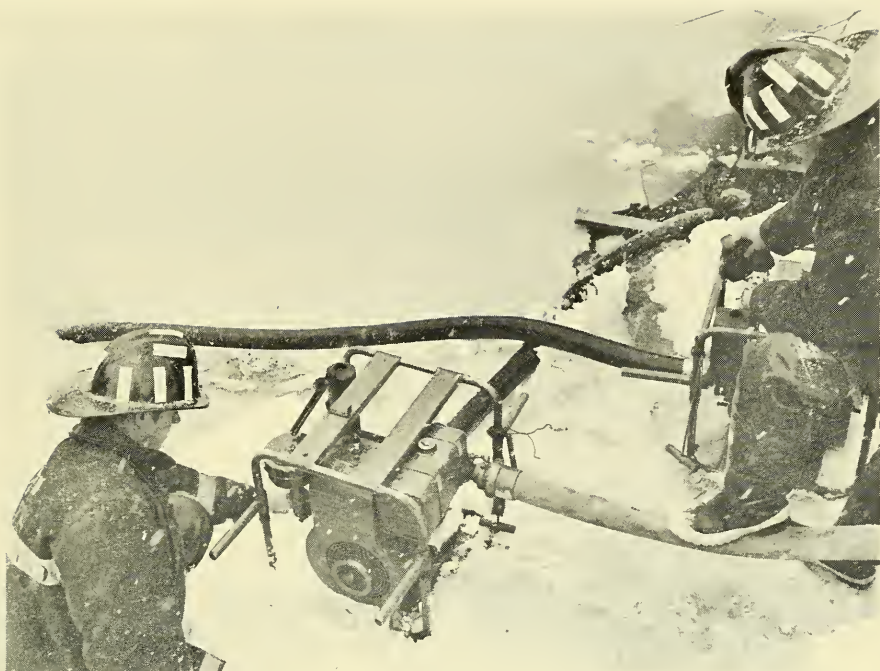
FIRE DEPARTMENT

During 1972 three new permanent men were added to our force, making a total of 17 paid permanent men. Assisting our permanent men were 35 call men on whom we could request assistance. Regular replacements were made in our equipment, including hose, smoke ejector, nozzles and a new generator.

Again this year we had our share of major fires including the Claremont Apartments which started our year on January 2nd. Following this we had the house fire on Old Newport Road - the Ford home; the Dodge house on Green Street; the apartment fire in West Claremont owned by the Staff family; the house fire on Alden Road owned by the Bergerons; the house on East Street formerly owned by Mrs. Keane; the warehouse fire on Mulberry



Flames and heavy smoke greeted fire fighters when they arrived at the scene of the Anthony Formichelli residence on Bible Hill during the winter of 1972. There were no injuries reported in the blaze.



Firemen pump water from an icebound pond; just one of many handicaps encountered while attempting to quell a blaze in sub-zero temperatures.

Street owned by Claremont Flock and the house fire on Bible Hill owned by Anthony Formichelli. Added to the above were 28 other bell alarms; 15 of which were either false alarms or faulty fire detection systems.

Probably our biggest major effort which did not even involve fire was the possible break-through of the White Water Brook Dam. Our men were without doubt one of the first units on the scene and remained in the action the entire duration of the possible danger.

In addition to these duties 438 fire calls were received at the station along with requests for burning permits; 612 of which were issued.

Total fire inspections numbered 852, including schools, industrial buildings, business blocks, apartments and private residences (on request only).

Regular training schedules were again conducted at the Claremont General Hospital, Sullivan County Home and Claremont Nursing Home.

Probably the most explosive disaster averted by the Department was the

gas leak at the Claremont Gas Company during the summer. Prompt and efficient action prevented a major explosion at that site.

Claremont businesses and industries again saw the merits of automatic fire detection equipment and six new systems were installed during the year.

The fire station went through its usual maintenance and face-lifting in 1972 with the entire second floor being painted and a separate but attached building constructed to house the gasoline and flammable liquids.

Paul Lovejoy,
Fire Chief



In addition to major fires, this Department is also called upon to wash away gas spillage after highway accidents.

CITY COUNCIL HI-LITES

January

The annual Oath of Office was administered by City Clerk Rose Ellen Haugsrud during the first meeting of 1972. Taking the Oath were Mayor Charles P. Puksta; Assistant Mayor Sydney J. Clarke and Councilmen Donald P. Fortin, Theodore M. Monetta, Leo T. Abbott, Arthur T. Forrest, Ronald P. Laramie, Philip D. Estabrook and Frank W. Connor.

... The Council voted 7 to 1 in favor of issuing bonds or notes of the City up to the sum of \$229,126 for the purpose of undertaking the Lacasse Park Urban Renewal Project.

... authorized the City Manager to accept state aid in connection with sewage disposal facilities.

... approved a special Ward II election to fill vacancy created by the death of Representative Allan P. Campbell.

... appointed various Boards and Committees for 1972 and began lengthy budgetary hearings.

February

... appointed a five-man committee to investigate the City Refuse Disposal Area noting that July 1, 1972 would be the mandatory cut-off date for the present open burning dump site.

... heard Governor Walter Peterson explain the proposed 3% Income Tax for New Hampshire.

... authorized the City Manager to execute a Cooperation Agreement with the Housing Authority to implement the recently adopted urban renewal plan.

... formally approved the Workable Program submitted by the City Manager in compliance with the two-year updating procedure necessary for receiving government funds.

... unanimously adopted a resolution asking the N.H. General Court to enact legislation providing substantial relief from the increasingly oppressive burden upon property taxpayers. The Council recommended the passage of a broad-base tax as the only realistic solution to the crisis and called for a portion of these proceeds to be distributed to cities and towns for reducing property taxes.

... granted a request from Profile Mobile Homes Inc. to expand their park

on Alden Road with Section A not to exceed 15 lots and Section B not more than 41 lots. The principals agreed to erect a protective fence and to widen and pave Alden Road to city specifications.

... approved total city appropriation for 1972 at \$1,651,419.95.

... approved total revenues for 1972 at \$1,145,201.00.

March

... granted a request from Paddy Hollow Mobile Park Inc. to add 12 lots.
... defeated a resolution presented by Councilman Estabrook to reconsider the Urban Renewal Program at Lacasse Park. Dr. Estabrook presented a petition urging the matter be placed before the voters before the project is undertaken.

... set a public hearing date for April regarding preliminary survey and engineering costs for the proposed sewer treatment plant location, sanitary landfill location, interceptor sewer system location and Bible Hill water tower location.

April

... extended Commercial zone a depth of 600 feet on request from Profile Realty Inc. for their property on Washington Street where they required a change from Residential zoning to utilize a mobile home sales office.

... unanimously accepted Ordinance No. 133 regarding "Job Classification and Salaries of Officials and Agents of the City of Claremont."

... unanimously adopted the resolution to appropriate \$14,500 for the preliminary and/or final survey and engineering cost in connection with the proposed sewer treatment plant location, sanitary landfill location, interceptor sewer system location and Bible Hill water tower location. The Council authorized the issuance of notes of the City up to the sum of \$11,500 and approved the withdrawal of \$3,000 from the Water Department's capital reserve account. The Council also authorized the City Manager to sign a contract with Whitman and Howard, Engineers, to conduct all necessary surveys and engineering studies for these proposals.

... approved angle parking along a portion of Broad Street from Summer Street to Breck Avenue.

... declared April 29, 1972 as Claremont Clean-Up Day upon a request from the Chamber of Commerce.

... resolved to issue and sell, not to exceed \$1,300,000, notes of the City in anticipation of taxes.

... authorized the City Manager to submit an application for state funding on the replacement of the Coy Bridge in West Claremont.

May

- ... approved request by Chamber of Commerce and Economic Development Commission to try the Pleasant Street Mall concept on August 10, 11 and 12, 1972. This trial would involve closing that portion of the main business district to all but emergency traffic.
- ... adopted an amended set of Rates, Rules and Regulations of the City of Claremont Water and Sewer Department.
- ... granted permission to conduct the Claremont Soap Box Derby pre-race trial runs on Route 11 between Newport and Claremont on June 3, 1972.
- ... City Manager Lombardi reported to the Council on the dam crisis at White Water Brook Reservoir No. 1 and thanked all the people who helped in that emergency.
- ... granted ABC Taxi Inc. another parking space at a fee of \$100 per year.
- ... granted request from Paramount Developers Inc. to change zoning on a section of Washington Street. Council stipulated that if construction of the proposed shopping center didn't begin within one year the area would revert back to an Industrial II zone.
- ... authorized the City Manager to take up to \$30,000 from the Water Department Reserve Fund and to contract with Layne, New York Co. Inc. for the installation of a permanent well at the Puckershire well site.

June

- ... authorized City Manager to sign the Emergency Employment Act contract on behalf of the city.
- ... approved zone change request of Kenneth and Marion Lane on the Charlestown Road to allow the developer, Connecticut Living Inc., to construct a shopping center. The zone change was amended to revert the land to its original zoning status if construction is not started within one year.
- ... adopted Ordinance 134 entitled "Building Code"; Ordinance 135 entitled "Electrical Code"; Ordinance 136 "Plumbing Code" and Ordinance 137 "Licensing of Plumbers."
- ... accepted progress report from the Mayor's Committee on Refuse Disposal that recommended the continuation of the present dump site, completely eliminating the burning to qualify with new State regulations and to cover the refuse in the landfill manner.
- ... approved removal of grass area adjacent to the Junior Sports League Building on Walnut Street for a parking lot.
- ... instructed the City Solicitor to take legal action against Guimond Farms Dairy regarding violation of the zoning ordinance.

July

. . . approved the sale of a small parcel of city-owned land to Barnes, Rouillard and McPherson, Inc. on Broad Street that adjoins their property.
. . . approved expenditure of \$12,000 from the Water Department Reserve fund to have a complete survey made at the White Water Brook Dam.
. . . accepted, with regrets, the resignation of City Manager Peter Lombardi who accepted a new position as Town Manager for Hampton, N.H. Appointed a screening committee for new City Manager applicants.

August

. . . approved zoning change on the Alfred Villers property on the Twistback Road from Residential I to Industrial I.
. . . voted to change zoning on the Johnson property on the Twistback Road from Industrial I to Business II to be utilized for Bulk Oil Storage Tanks.
. . . Police Chief Richard Kaye told the Council that out of 2,002 cities with a population of between 10,000 and 25,000, Claremont had been one of the 100 cities presented the Pedestrian Safety Award. This is the fourth such award this city has received.
. . . authorized City Manager to enter into an agreement with Cornish for a joint plectron system.
. . . set September 8, 1972 as closing date for auctions on tax deeded property.
. . . accepted resolution regarding City becoming a member of the Upper Valley Planning and Development Council.
. . . heard reports from City Manager that the new well on Sugar River Drive will be in full operation this week and is expected to yield in excess of one million gallons per day. Manager Lombardi also set August 14 for a meeting with representatives of Housing and Urban Development, the Regional Planning Commission and City Council to discuss the status of the City's water situation.
. . . accepted bid from Whitman and Howard, Engineers, in the amount of \$6,700 for a Functional Water Plan; the funds to come from the Water Department Reserve account.
. . . appointed City Clerk Rose Ellen Haugsrud to act as City Manager until the job is filled.
. . . requested the City Solicitor to prepare the proper bid prospectus for the Sanitary Landfill area on Washington Street.

September

. . . granted zone change request of Frank and Ursula Pieczarka for a 4.6 acre site on the Charlestown Road to a Business II zone. The condition that construction begin within one year was again stipulated.
. . . recognized the International Brotherhood of Police Officers for a

bargaining unit for the police officers of the City of Claremont.

... authorized the acting City Manager to spend \$100 to exercise a 90-day option on Paddy Hollow Road land for a possible landfill site.

... decided to accept Public Health Committee report regarding grass area at Junior Sports League Building and not change that area into parking areas.

... adopted a resolution to file an application with the Department of Housing and Urban Development for a grant to aid in financing the construction of White Water Brook Upper Dam.

... Peter Garland was appointed new City Manager on a unanimous vote of the Council; effective October 23, 1972.

October

... voted to accept Jacqueline Avenue, Ledgewood Drive and Snow Shoe Hill as public streets.

... granted a petition to add 36 lots at Paddy Hollow Mobile Park.

... approved the continuation of the Economic Development Commission for the year 1973 with funding from the Joy Fund up to \$30,000 as done for the past three years.

... the Public Works Committee reported that either a misunderstanding or a misinterpretation of existing ordinances created the illegal installation of two tanks by Guimond Farm at the Main Street dairy plant and a recommendation was made that the company present a plot plan to the Planning Board for possible acceptance prior to a public hearing. The City Solicitor was authorized to file a proposal relative to construction at Main Street and the Council further authorized him to negotiate with the company reference to bonds, terms and conditions.

... held lengthy discussions on the landfill sites but postponed further consideration of bids until November.

November

... voted 8 to 1 to breach the White Water Brook Dam at a cost not to exceed \$125,000 for construction cost, engineering fees and other contingency costs. Funds were to be taken from the Water Department Reserve Fund.

... accepted the bid of Harry Shepard to operate a sanitary landfill area at the present dump site for a three-year period at a price of \$48,600 per year with funds to come from the Joy Fund through December 31, 1973. The motion carried 7 to 2.

... deeded a strip of land to Electromagnetic Corporation leading to their radio tower on Green Mountain.

December

- . . . accepted the lower portion of Beckwith Avenue as a city street and approved the entire Gellis Street as a city street.
- . . . granted a request from Shugah Valley Riders for a renewal of the agreement for the 1973 season.
- . . . authorized City Manager to enter into a contract with the N.H. Office of Manpower Affairs.
- . . . rescinded the previous action of using Joy Funds for the sanitary landfill through December 31, 1973. The new action designated those funds to be used for the year 1972.
- . . . denied a request of Davis Forest Industries to rezone a parcel of land on the River Road from Rural to Industrial I. The vote was 6 to 1.
- . . . the 1973 proposed city budget was presented to the Council by City Manager Garland.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

This, the third annual report of the Claremont Economic Development Commission, is hereby submitted. The following chart will indicate statistically the efforts of this Commission during 1972.

Aided local industries and business enterprises	52
Talked to groups on economic development	4
Attended City Council meetings	10
Attended Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment meetings	8
Attended Small Business Administration meetings	7
Attended Economic Development Commission meetings	13
Industrial and commercial prospects personally contacted	30
Conferences attended with City Assessor	12

Although the following information from the City Assessor must be construed as more than the activity to April 1972, it is our pleasure to point out that as a result of the April 1, 1972 tax assessment we find an increase in assessed valuation of \$2.2 million. Of this amount a very large portion can be attributed to the efforts of this Commission.

Very early in the year we found it beneficial to assist the people affected by the Gellis Block fire in the central business zone. This project involved an SBA declaration of disaster to make available to the principals directly involved assistance by virtue of small interest loans through the Small Business Administration.

The largest single item during the course of the year was the completion of the Tampax 150,000 square foot expansion of their existing facility.

Later in the year we saw the start of construction for the CanAm Corporation to be located in the industrial park at Claremont Junction. Completion will come in early 1973 of this 45,000 square foot plant which will ultimately employ 105 people.

A great deal of our time through the year was devoted to the activity generated by several developers who were interested in putting in a shopping center in the city. As the year closed it was very apparent that this activity had

simmered down to one developer, known as Connecticut Living, Inc., who had optioned property on Route 12 formerly owned by Kenneth B. Lane for the installation of a large shopping center complex with added plans for a restaurant and motel, and possibly at a later date a recreation center to house a theater, indoor skating rink, and indoor tennis. We were informed by the principals at the end of the year that everything seemed to be in a "go" position for the start of the construction season some time in April.

We also saw the start of a Kentucky Fried Chicken installation on Washington Street and a Firestone Automotive Store on Charlestown Road.

During 1972 considerable effort by several City agencies was devoted to the problem of Atrax Corporation and its expansion plans. At the end of the year it was obvious that this proposed expansion was not a dead issue but would have to stand some revision at the corporation level with the definite possibility of action some time during 1973.

The last six months of the year considerable time was also devoted to the possible installation of a new plant for Claremont Woven Label which would involve a substantial expansion of the present facility and an increase in the number of employees. At the end of 1972 there were some problems still to be



George Benway, Director of the Economic Development Commission, explains a Land-Use Map to a gathering while Joseph Gorman, Commission member seated at left, looks on. Holding the map are, at left, Chamber of Commerce President Henry Cormier and City Manager Peter Garland.



Assistance was offered to several downtown businesses affected by the tragic fire at the Gellis Block. Demolition of the ravaged structure forced re-location of several individuals.

resolved in behalf of Claremont Woven Label, particularly in the area of a site with a necessary zone change which had not been passed by the close of the year.

There was continued activity on behalf of several industrial projects that were held over from the prior year and are still pending at the end of this year. Hopefully, activity will commence in these areas during 1973.

As the statistical chart indicates to you, there has been some increase in the request for aid to local businesses and industries, and it is with some pleasure that we point this particular item out since the foundation of this organization had indicated a great need by the City for an agency able to be of assistance to our existing commercial and industrial complex. There is no doubt that the increased activity this year reflects the general upturn in the nation's economy and we look forward to a very active 1973.

Respectfully submitted,

George C. Benway

Executive Director
Economic Development Commission

PLANNING BOARD

Members of the Planning Board are Paul Williams, Chairman, Malcolm Carr, Vice-Chairman, Nyron Wheeler, Secretary, Mrs. Honorine Bourdon, Donald Clarke, and Richard Wahrlich. Chairman Paul Williams resigned from the Board at the end of April. He was replaced by Raymond Keating. Since Mr. Carr was still not sufficiently recovered from an automobile accident to attend meetings, Nyron Wheeler became the acting chairman and Raymond Keating the acting secretary.

Meetings were held on a twice monthly basis, the days being the first and third Mondays of each month.

The Board has experienced considerable pressure for commercial development on Washington Street and the Charlestown Road with no less than five shopping centers being proposed. We also have a 91 unit housing development going in on Maple Avenue and another larger development proposed for Winter Street. Besides this, there has been steady pressure from the Economic Development Commission for new industrial sites.

Even twice monthly meetings were often not enough to handle the deluge of site plans and subdivision plans which were presented to the Board. I will not attempt to list them here, but many special meetings were required to meet the demand.

Through all of this, the Board has been attempting to get its tools sharpened. By this I mean getting an updated land use plan, an updated master plan, and a revised zoning ordinance. Since the original work covered essentially the compact area of the City only, and had not been updated for ten years, there is much to be done. We have been working with professional planner, Hollister Kent, of Planners Collaborative in Norwich, Vermont. The job is scheduled to be done in March of 1973 but the Board has not been impressed with results to date. This situation will have to be resolved within the next few months.



Looking over plans for a proposed shopping center are, from left, Clifford Lamere, Building Inspector; Nyron Wheeler, Planning Board Chairman and George Benway, Director of the Economic Development Commission

The City elected to join the Upper Valley Planning and Development Council this year with two of our Board members as the local representatives. They are Mr. Richard Wahrlich and Mrs. Honorine Bourdon. This should be a real plus for the Board and the whole area as it gives us readily available consultation on planning by people who are familiar with our local problems.

Submitted by: Nyron Wheeler, *Chairman*



New industrial sites have been sought by some parties along this section of the River Road adjacent to the Connecticut River. This aerial view shows the expanded Tampax, Inc. plant where many local and area people have found employment in recent years.

WELFARE DEPARTMENT

The City Welfare Department handles many types of cases. We run the gamut from as little as one or two weeks help to possibly one or two months help in a disability case, or board and care for elderly who must wait for their O.A.A. to come through. Board and care and clothing for children placed in foster homes either by court order or a probation officer are also provided (these cases can be quite long term).

The department had a total case load in all categories of 1,339 for 1972. This averages out to 111 persons per month. Total spent on direct relief for the year was \$30,321.82. This averages out to \$22.75 per person per year.



Welfare Director Margaret "Peg" Delude explains program

This amount would actually be reduced slightly if we were to credit out cash reimbursements for 1972 which were \$1,710.81.

The Department of Employment Security has been most cooperative in testing and placement for many of our unemployed persons. We have also had a very healthy work relief program.

The surplus food program which is administered by this department through 1972 has been carried with a fluctuating case load of between 600 and 800 persons per month; a higher amount generally occurring in winter months. We are most fortunate in having a wonderfully dedicated group of volunteers to keep this program running smoothly. In June we acquired a walk in cooler for more than adequate storage of our perishable items of food. This was totally federally-funded. We started a program of giving out monthly sheets of recipes showing the varied uses of our donated commodities and having "taste" samples at the distribution each month. Needless to say, with the arrival in Sullivan County of our new home economist, Miss Carol Cooney, our food program is even better. Miss Cooney arranged for cooking classes in the fall and has supervised the recipe output and "taste treats" ever since, much to our delight.

I would be remiss if I did not mention the very kind generosity and cooperation I have had from so many of our businesses, industries, organizations and individuals in Claremont. They have made it possible for us to provide a fuller service to our clients at no extra cost to the taxpayers. My sincere appreciation to all who have helped in any way to make our year a better one.

Margaret "Peg" Delude
Director, City Welfare

Miss Carol Cooney, home economist for Sullivan County, offers a "taste treat" at Surplus Food distribution



HOUSING AUTHORITY

Commissioners of the Claremont Housing Authority divided their interest in 1972 between the newly acquired Marion L. Phillips Apartments for the elderly and the demands of the Lacasse Park Urban Renewal Project. During the period William A. Kirn, Jr. served as Chairman; Dr. C.F. Keeley, as Vice Chairman; William L. Gaffney, as Treasurer. The other Commissioners were: Harold L. Woodward, and Robert G. Davis, who in May, was reappointed to a five year term.

By mid-March in 1972 the 100 apartment units in the elderly project at 243 Broad Street were all under lease and a waiting list had been established. The fountain and gardens in front of the project excited much favorable comment. Members of the Claremont Men's Garden Club had volunteered for the work necessary for the attractive floral display.

In July the Commissioners were informed that the Federal Government

Ascutney Mountain provides an attractive backdrop for the Marion Phillips Apartments where Thomas McCarthy, executive director, at right, explains the management of the federally-funded Housing for the Elderly project to U.S. Congressman James C. Cleveland





Members of the Claremont Men's Garden Club spent long hours making the Marion Phillips Apartments grounds among the most attractive floral displays in the city.

had accepted the Authority's application for Loan and Grant funds for the Lacasse Park Urban Renewal Area, Project No. NH R-21. The general objectives of the plan included the elimination of blight and deterioration through clearance and redevelopment, the elimination of improper land uses, improvement of sewer and road systems, and replacement of substandard and blighted structures with new housing in the Area.

For the above ends the Department of Housing and Urban Development, acting through its office in Manchester, allocated to the Authority \$1,247,745, as a loan, and \$1,179,045. as a capital grant. The city's cash share of the project was estimated at \$169,126.

While the Authority's main office had been established in the Phillips Apartments on Broad Street, the Urban Renewal office was reactivated at 45 Crescent Street, with Thomas D. West, named as Assistant Urban Renewal

Director, and Mrs. Patricia Helmick as Relocation Officer. Thomas J. McCarthy continued to serve as Executive Director of the Authority in charge of both Urban Renewal and Public Housing.

In the operation of the Phillips Apartments, McCarthy was assisted by Mrs. Edna Guest, secretary, and Arnold G. Purmort, in charge of maintenance.

At year's end, the Authority's Urban Renewal Activities included the completion of required property appraisals in the Lacasse Park Area with indications that 1973 would find the Authority well launched on a program of purchasing the property necessary for the implementation of the Urban Renewal Plan.



Many buildings in this area of Broad Street will be eliminated during the development of the Lacasse Park Urban Renewal Project.

CEMETERY DEPARTMENT

This Department handled 170 interments during 1972, set approximately 90 foundations and posts in addition to the regular program of mowing, trimming, re-seeding and keeping of cemetery records.

A new truck was purchased with a plow to maintain cemetery roads in the winter.

There were 62 new lots sold and new blueprints were drawn. Many inquiries from individuals and businesses were answered regarding lot information.

Again this year the Department experienced thousands of dollars damage in vandalism; this year in St. Mary's Cemetery where many monuments, urns and religious objects were destroyed.

Cemetery Department workers also set out many government markers on Veterans graves during 1972.

William Lewis
Superintendent, *Cemetery Department*

Thousands of dollars in damage occurred at St. Mary Cemetery in 1972 when vandals swept through the area destroying monuments and stealing grave decorations. William Lewis, superintendent of the Department, at right, inspects some of the stolen items with Police Sgt. David Kinson, standing, and Captain Albert Bergeron.



VISITING NURSE ASSOCIATION

The Well Baby Clinic, sponsored by the Lioness Club and conducted by the Visiting Nurse Association, was held ten months with 232 children receiving immunizations and physical examinations. Dr. Robert Lanzer was assisted by Mrs. John Zerba and Mrs. Neil Hastings. An extra clinic was held in August to provide immunizations for any pre-school children that had not received them previously. The new State Law requires that all children must have the D.P.T., Polio, Measles and Rubella Vaccine before entering Public Schools. We are also giving immunizations to the Head Start children.

In May a Rubella Clinic was held at the Claremont General Hospital for pre-school children. Dr. Stanley Kuk was the attending Physician, assisted by Mrs. Dorothy Allen, State Nurse; Mrs. Zerba, Mrs. Hastings and members of the Lioness Club. A total of 103 children received immunizations.

The Crippled Children Clinic was held in January, April, July and October with a total of 54 children being checked. Dr. Robert Shoemaker and Dr. Robert Lanzer were assisted by Mrs. Hastings and Miss Molly Bullock from the State Crippled Children Department.

The staff attended numerous meetings throughout the State. Also Inservice meetings, including a few at the Claremont General Hospital, on closed circuit television with the Mary Hitchcock Memorial Hospital.

Mr. Harold Sanborn conducted the Financial Audit for the Agency and also prepared the Cost Analysis for Blue Cross.

The Home Health Representative from Blue Cross has conducted two audits on patient records. Also all Physical Therapy records were audited by a representative from the State Department of Health.

The Home Health Consultant from the Department of Health conducted the Re-survey of the Agency. Having met all the requirements for participation as a Home Health Agency, we again received our letter of Recertification.

The Visiting Nurse Association staff spent much time working with the Community Center on Christmas lists. We also worked with several Clubs, Organizations, Telephone operators and High School groups in preparing baskets for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

We received hand-knit mittens, slipper-socks, hats and baby sets from Mrs. Dorothy Kuzmich and Mrs. Gilda Savoie. We would like to thank these ladies very much for the time and effort put into this project.

The proposed budget was presented to Mr. Peter Garland, City Manager, for his recommendation and presentation to the City Council.

There were a total of 2,336 Nursing visits made this year and 209 Physical Therapy visits.

The staff at the Claremont Visiting Nurse Association consists of the following personnel: Mrs. John Zerba, Nursing Supervisor, Mrs. Roy Parmelee, R.N., Mrs. Neil Hastings, R.N. and Mrs. William Lewko, Secretary.

Betty Zerba, R.N.

C.V.N.A., Nursing Supervisor

Tireless workers in the Visiting Nurse Association include, from left, Eleanor Lewko, secretary; Gale Delaney, Licensed Practical Nurse; Bette Hastings, Registered Nurse and Betty Zerba, Registered Nurse and Supervisor of the Department. Another member of the team, Eleanor Parmelee, R.N., was not present when photo was taken.



OFFICE OF TAX ASSESSOR

Claremont, realizing that the city is growing rapidly and that methods of taxation are becoming more complex, felt the need for a full-time Assessor. For that position, Vern J. Gardner Jr. was employed and charged with the responsibility of the property tax.

Under the new administration new construction was added to the list as totaling 2.2 million dollars, an increase of four times over the previous years trends. This impact lead to the reduction of the tax rate \$1./1,000. A method was derived to increase the number of persons paying residents tax, this tax had previously been declining due to a lack of door to door listers.

In an attempt to establish an early tax rate, all building permits are reviewed by the end of May. Another innovation is the notification of any assessment increases to the taxpayer, thereby allowing him to adjust his financial situation, also reducing the number of abatements.

During the year of 1972, it became increasingly obvious that a tax equalization program was necessary. Two private mass reappraisal firms were consulted. Cole-Layer & Trumble and United Appraisal Company. United Appraisal was awarded the bid at \$63,800. The project will begin with inspection of all property within Claremont, to be completed for billing on Labor Day 1974.

Vern J. Gardner Jr.
Tax Assessor

TAX COLLECTOR

REPORT OF FISCAL YEAR 1972

Total receipts for the fiscal year 1972 amounted to \$3,098,424.96. This figure represents collections of taxes committed for the current year and all prior years including tax sale redemptions, yield taxes, National Bank Stock, head and poll taxes, resident taxes, and all interest and penalties. Breakdown is as follows:

1971 Property	\$207,293.55
1971 Tax Sale	53,215.11
1972 Property	2,705,414.35
1970 Property	470.36
1969 Property	492.12
1972 National Bank Stock Tax	2,779.90
1968 Property	1,069.00
1967 Property	256.52
1966 Property	248.78
1965 Property	237.16
1964 Property	237.16
1963 Property	115.21
1971 Yield	663.92
1972 Yield	917.49
1970 Yield	358.10
1971 Property Interest	5,446.11
1971 Tax Sale Interest	2,856.67
1972 Property Interest	351.37
1970 Property Interest	71.55
1969 Property Interest	26.53
1968 Property Interest	78.23
1970 Polls	17.30
1969 Polls	4.00
1968 Polls	4.00
1967 Polls	2.00
1966 Polls	2.00
1965 Polls	2.00
1970 Poll Interest	1.40
1972 Resident Tax	47,820.00

1971 Resident Tax	17,950.00
1971 Resident Tax Penalties	1,795.00
1972 Resident Tax Penalties	108.00
1970 Head Tax Penalties	4.00
1969 Head Tax Penalties	1.00
1968 Head Tax Penalties	1.00
1967 Head Tax Penalties	.50
1966 Head Tax Penalties	.50
1965 Head Tax Penalties	.50
1970 Head Tax	40.00
1969 Head Tax	10.00
1968 Head Tax	10.00
1967 Head Tax	5.00
1966 Head Tax	5.00
1965 Head Tax	5.00
1971 Tax Sale Redemptions	18,430.50
1970 Tax Sale Redemptions	12,314.57
1969 Tax Sale Redemptions	12,522.17
1968 Tax Sale Redemptions	25.00
1971 Tax Sale Interest	629.74
1970 Tax Sale Interest	1,327.49
1969 Tax Sale Interest	2,788.10
	\$3,098,424.96

90.7% of the 1972 Property Tax Warrant of \$2,982,247.31 (plus added taxes committed of \$3,698.65) was collected before December 31, 1972. Tax bills were mailed on October 16, 1972.

Abatelements amounted to \$15,475.12, refunds \$2,445.54, and two properties were deeded to the City for non-payment of taxes in the amount of \$179.88 (1972).

Patricia Gould
Tax Collector

BUILDING INSPECTOR

New construction and additions, and new manufacturing buildings were the highlights of the Building Department for the year 1972. A reported amount of \$3,640,513.00 in building permits was issued by the Building Department.

In addition permits were issued to Abreen Corporation for the construction of CanAm Sales Corporation, a new manufacturing plant on the Plains Road, the new Kentucky Fried Chicken on Washington Street, Goss Leasing, Inc. on Charlestown Road, an addition to McDonald's Restaurant on Washington Street, the Butcher Block on Washington Street, the Shell car wash on Washington Street, a new addition by Davis and Symonds on Bowen Street, the start of construction by Claremont Manor of 91 apartments on Maple Avenue, an addition to R.N. Johnson on the Charlestown Road, and the new teller station at the Claremont National Bank.

In addition permits were issued for 27 new single family homes, two townhouses to house eight apartments by Hardy Brothers, and the 91 apartments by Claremont Manor on Maple Avenue.

The Building Inspector must approve all plans before a permit can be given to start construction, must make certain that all plans meet City specifications and codes, and must inspect the construction to make certain that the building is in accordance with the accepted construction plans.

Other jobs of the Building Inspector include being the acting agent for the Zoning Board of Adjustment, ex-officio member of the Planning Board, Codes Enforcement Officer, member of the Plumber's Licensing Committee, Building Committee and Codes Review Board.

One of the highlights of the year for the Building Department is the addition of a secretary to the staff, Mrs. Richard Osgood, who will now be there to greet visitors, write permits, and make appointments for the Building Inspector.

Respectfully submitted,

Clifford Lamere
Building Inspector



A construction permit was issued in 1972 to the Abreen Corp. for the new CanAm Sales Corp. [above] on Plains Road. The structure is located adjacent to the Claremont Industrial Park, home of Lith-Kem Corp.

Work began in 1972 on a 91-unit apartment complex [below] at the corner of Maple and Block Avenues. The Claremont Manor Apartments were expected to be occupied in 1973:



FISKE FREE LIBRARY

In many respects, 1972 can be seen as a transitional year for Fiske Free Library. A great deal of change occurred with particular emphasis being placed on non-print materials such as films, phonograph records, art exhibitions, live music and programs of special interest. Examples of this emphasis were a greater number of story hours during the summer, the beginning of a special jazz record collection, weekly scheduling of films for children, and a greater increase in the use of the Sarah Gilmore Room by community organizations such as the League of Women Voters, the Claremont Historical Society and the Men's Garden Club. The latter organization also finished its landscaping project in the library yard.

Nevertheless, the acquisition of printed materials was hardly neglected. Over 2,000 new volumes were added to the library and book circulation increased almost 20% over the previous year. It was the magazine collection,

Children are fascinated by the aquarium on display in the special "Children's Library"; a large colorful room downstairs at the Fiske Free Library.



however, which saw the greatest change. Over 50 new titles were subscribed to, bringing the collection total to over 200 items.

Also of significance was the development of an improved public relations program, a program designed to present the library to a larger segment of the area's population. Regular newspaper columns were started, talks were given to various civic organizations, and library matters were given greater attention over WTSV, the local radio station. In addition, service to senior citizens was expanded as the library continued to cooperate with the Charlestown, Newport and Sunapee libraries in the program known as TASC ("Target, the Ageing in Sullivan County").

Don Eggert joined the library as Chief Librarian in June. Eggert holds undergraduate and graduate degrees in history and geography from Indiana University and received his Master's of Library Science degree from Simmons College, Boston.

Mrs. Mildred Chandler is deputy Librarian, Mrs. Ina Leahy holds the position of Children's Librarian, Mrs. Cynthia Fleming is in charge of reference service and Mrs. Marina Limoges is responsible for inter-library loan. Part-time librarians included Cathy Pomiecko, Janet Delaney, Debi Dalfonso, Chris Pomiecko, and Donna Lee. Theodore A. Monetta is chairman of the library's trustees.

The conclusion of 1972 saw the library's staff looking especially forward to 1973, the year which would mark Fiske Free Library's centennial anniversary.

Don Eggert
Chief Librarian

Book circulation increased almost 20 per cent in 1972 at the public library where a variety of programs and special services catered to the needs of local residents.



BOARD OF HEALTH

ACTIVITIES

Meat Inspections at stores	34
Restaurants inspected	43
Restaurants reinspected	2
Restaurant licenses issued	35
Laboratory Inspection reports issued	35
Food Handlers certificates issued	199
Milk licenses issued	31
Milk Plant inspections	1
Water sample containers issued to private owners	12
Nuisance reports investigated	58
Foster Homes inspected	4
Sewerage installations inspected	28
World Health Organ. certificates signed and stamped	65
Board of Health Meetings called	5
Burial disinterment certificates issued	1
Restaurant damage investigated	3
Food damage inspected (not related to fire)	2
Food processing inquiry	1
Nursery School or Day Care inspections	4
Bat Bite investigation	1
Housing Code Violation	1
Venereal Disease Reports	2
Housing Code Meetings	3
Meetings with School Department	1
Industrial Relations	1
Water samples submitted	4
Barbecue approvals	2
Apartments inspected and condemned	12
Dog Bite investigation	2
Parasite problem investigated	1
Clarification of Board of Health Rules	2
Calls referred to Visiting Nurse Assn.	1

Respectfully submitted,

Wilson R. Haubrich, VMD
Health Officer

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Claremont Zoning Board of Adjustment has had numerous applications for variances and special exceptions throughout the year. Some of the highlights in particular were a special exception granted to Mr. Ervin Livingston for a light manufacturing corporation, a presentation by Mr. Moody for a health club, granting a special exception for Mr. Donald Roy for a funeral home on Sullivan Street, the granting of a variance to the office of Buckley and Zopf to have their offices on Broad Street, the granting of a variance to Davis and Symonds on the construction of their kiln and storage, special exception granted to Mr. Cyril Grenier for Cyril's Steak House at Claremont Junction.

Members of the Board consist of Rodney Webster, Chairman, Maurice Wernick, Co-Chairman, James McGuire, Louis LaRiccia, Arthur Forrest, and acting agent, Clifford Lamere.



The Zoning Board granted a special exception in 1972 to Donald Roy who opened a new funeral home on Sullivan Street. The Board reviewed numerous applications for variances and exceptions during the year.

The decisions of the Board on variances and special exceptions are the actions of the Zoning Board of Adjustment and **under no circumstances do they have the authority to make any zone change.**

The decisions of the Board on variances and special exceptions are made public. All meetings are open to the public. The board has monthly meetings which are held on the first Monday of every month.

Submitted by:

Rodney Webster
Chairman

CITY CLERK

During the year 1972 the following Vital Statistics were recorded in Claremont, N.H.

Deaths	203
Marriages	205
Births	425

HIGHWAY DEPARTMENT

Projects during 1972 included Roberts Hill where the second section of road was reconstructed including realignment of curves, drainage structures replaced and lengthened and the road widened; Sugar River Drive where the old bridge was replaced with multi-plate arch pipe after the State bridge engineer notified the City it was unsafe for more than 6 tons; the Slab City Road where old cast iron pipe was replaced with new corrugated steel pipe plus the road was widened near the junction with Fitch Reservoir Road. At that location, the end-wall had failed and fallen into the brook on the downstream end causing considerable problems and expense.

Dix seal was applied to Chestnut Street, Mulberry Street and North

A section of Roberts Hill was reconstructed by the Highway Department in 1972 where curves were realigned, drainage structures replaced and lengthened and the road was widened.





Considerable damage was experienced on Slab City Road near the junction with Fitch Reservoir Road after the end-wall failed and fell into the brook. The Highway Department replaced the old cast iron pipe with new corrugated steel pipe and widened the road near the junction.

Street at a cost of \$30,000 in 1972.

A sand-seal was applied to numerous streets and out roads, rusted-out culverts were replaced, drainage problems corrected, meter posts and sign posts erected and replaced; crosswalks, parking spaces and other traffic markings painted plus all the usual routine work which the Highway Department performs was completed as time, help and funds permitted.

A new Case W-20 loader and four new sanders were acquired by the Department in 1972.

John Fennessy
Superintendent

WATER AND SEWER DEPARTMENTS

The two most important events of the year were the failure of White Water Reservoir #1 and the subsequent breaching of it to prevent damage to Reservoir #2. This was done at a cost of \$85,000.00. Due to the loss of the supply, an 18" gravel packed well was installed by the Layne Co. at a cost of \$34,400 at the Clarke well-site.

Six hundred feet of 8" water mains and 600' of 8" sewer mains were laid in the Hardy Development off Gellis Street.

Department work was small replacement jobs and maintenance work. Thirty-five new services were laid and twenty services were relaid in the Water Dept. Four new hydrants were installed. Ten new sewer services were laid.

Rainfall for the year was forty and one half inches, four and one half inches over the average rainfall.

The Disposal Plant recorded 405,112,000 gallons of sewage treated, an increase of 61,000,000 gallons over 1971. Two million nine hundred thirty eight thousand cubic feet of gas was generated from this sewage.

Haakon Pederson
Superintendent

RECREATION AND PARKS DEPARTMENT

In behalf of the members of the Recreation & Parks Department, I would like to express our appreciation to the governing bodies of the City of Claremont, members of the Goodwin Community Center Commission and all who have had a part in providing funds and facilities and personnel for the operation of our Recreation and Park program, as well as to the various departments of the City of Claremont for their help and cooperation.

We would also like to pay tribute to the tireless efforts of our professional workers, volunteer leaders, helpers, organizations, and schools, without whose support, the task of providing programs would have been impossible.

The increasing amount of time available through shorter work hours, automation and early retirement, is creating a changing scene, wherein Recreation and Park programs and facilities are required to play a greater role in the creation of more satisfying and full lives.

The following is a list of facilities available to the people of Claremont: E. Charles Goodwin Community Center; the indoor pool, the outdoor pool; two baseball diamonds, one with lights; two softball fields, one with lights;





The annual Lollipop Carnival [above] at Barnes Park draws hundreds of local youngsters each year marking the end of the supervised summer recreation program at city parks.

Little League baseball is a popular program sponsored by the Recreation and Parks Department where several teams in both this age group [previous page] and the Babe Ruth League play a full schedule.

two wading pools; tennis courts; horseshoe courts; picnic area with fireplaces and tables; four playgrounds, three skating rinks; a hockey rink; football field; soccer field; Junior Sports League building; Little League baseball field; rifle range; commons; all purpose area; private golf course; badminton courts. The city also has acquired 10 more acres at Monadnock Park for the development of athletic facilities. Total acreage the city has for recreational purposes, exclusive of school property, approximates 240 acres.

The Park Department is kept busy maintaining all the parks and facilities within the parks, all the islands in the city, as well as maintaining all athletic facilities used by the schools for their programs of athletics and physical education. An ever increasing problem that has to be dealt with is vandalism which was very prevalent this year, particularly in Monadnock Park.

Improvements the department made are the installation of a 400-foot outfield fence on the softball field, at the outdoor pool, the large grandstand at Monadnock Park was painted, a new water line was installed at



Four park benches were installed by the Recreation and Parks Department during 1972 between the Marion Phillips Home and the Claremont Savings Bank on Broad Street. This resident of the housing for the elderly apartments building, Armand Menard, takes advantage of the rest stop during a stroll downtown.

Monadnock Park for the hockey rink and a new water line was laid at the outdoor pool area for the softball field; the baseball backstop at Barnes was improved, the baseball field at Monadnock and the Softball field at the outdoor pool area were graded. Under the heading of new equipment a new one ton truck was purchased, a new Gravely mower, eight new light poles for the softball field, one meter diving board and stand for the outdoor pool, new dry diatomaceous feeder and chlorinator for the outdoor pool, twelve new fireplaces and six picnic tables for Moody Park. Four benches were placed along Broad Street from the Marion Phillips Home to the Claremont Savings Bank.

Playgrounds

The playground season opened with each playground having two supervisors who conduct many events to keep Claremont youngsters occupied. Craft sessions are held on each playground with materials supplied by the department. Softball teams are organized as well as volley ball teams. Athletic tournaments and contests are run weekly as well as special events such as pet shows, cookouts, hikes, games and standard activities on the playground equipment. In the three playgrounds available to the city, youngsters are under supervision ten weeks during the summer, five days a week, Mondays through Fridays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Supervised playgrounds are at Barnes Park, Monadnock Park and Moody Park. Also, the outdoor pool area has playground equipment, but is unsupervised.

Sports Program

The department conducts a very active sports program, throughout the year for all age groups. Basketball is conducted for both boys and girls.

In 1972 a total of 37 youth basketball teams were organized and 350 new basketball uniforms were purchased for the youngsters through the kind cooperation of merchants, organizations and individuals. In addition there were eight adult basketball teams organized, with their games being played at the Jr. High School gym, through the cooperation of the School Board. All the youth teams played their games at the Junior Sports League Building. Baseball is conducted, with teams for boys 8 to 12 years old being organized in the Little League and teams for boys 13 to 15 in the Babe Ruth League. The Little League program has three divisions with 4 teams in each division. There are 4 teams in the Babe Ruth League. Approximately 250 boys participate in this program, which starts in May.

The City also conducts a softball league for adults. In 1972, 12 teams took part in this program. A newly organized hockey program has been created for boys 5 years old and up. This program is conducted by the Claremont Flyers, who improved the rink and installed a shelter for dressing

and warming. Games with outside communities are conducted. A girls softball league was also organized in 1972. The Claremont Swim Team is composed of boys and girls 7 years old through high school age, with approximately 100 participating in the program. In the fall, a Jr. Flag Football program is conducted for boys in the third through the sixth grades. There were six teams in this league. Also, a flag football program for adults, was conducted with six teams participating. Available to the people of Claremont is a badminton club which meets weekly throughout the winter and spring at the JSL Hall. A golf clinic was also conducted for women by the department at the Claremont Country Club.

All athletic teams sponsored by the department, ended their respective season with tournaments to decide the championships. The Claremont swim



Anthony Zotto, superintendent of the Recreation and Parks Department, looks over forms at the Goodwin Community Center with his secretary, Dorothy Colby.

team, who had an undefeated season, ended by capturing the Twin State Valley swimming and diving championship. A supervised ice skating program was conducted at the three city skating rinks located at Barnes, Monadnock and Moody Parks. A warming hut, donated by Ray and John Burbee was erected at Moody Park skating rink.

Outdoor Pool

The outdoor pool season opened immediately after school was over but because of weather conditions attendance showed a slight decrease over the previous season. The pool is open to the public 10 a.m. to noon, 1 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. six days a week. The Sunday hours are 2 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Besides general swimming the pool is also used for swimming lessons. The swim meets are conducted at the outdoor pool. The pool is also made available to the Newport Recreation Dept. for swimming lessons twice a week. Local children are admitted free up to 5 p.m., after which time a fee is charged. Adults using the pool, pay at all times.

Indoor Pool

Attendance at the indoor pool showed an increase in paid admissions from the previous season. The indoor pool is also the site for the Learn to Swim program, conducted in the Spring and Summer with between 400 and 500 youngsters taking advantage of this program. Also conducted at the indoor pool are junior and senior lifesaving classes, swim and stay fit classes, and mens and womens classes. The pool is also used by many outside groups, as well as the high school physical education program, the Windsor elementary school, the Perkinsville school, Windsor and Springfield Recreation depts., boy scouts and girl scouts and many others. The indoor pool went on a seven-day a week schedule for the first time with the Sunday hours being from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. Hours vary during the week because of the many programs conducted, but general swimming during the Spring and Summer months are from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. and 7 to 8:45 in the evening. The mornings are reserved for swim team practice and swim lessons. Improvements on the indoor pool building include new exhaust fan and dehumidifier installed, roof reshingled, cupalo erected, new oil burners for the furnace. Repairs were made to the filter system and the one meter board was overhauled.

Goodwin Community Center

The Goodwin Community Center conducted various programs for the young people such as craft classes, cooking classes, etc. as well as informal activities such as pool, ping pong, table games, weight lifting and use of striking bag. The Center is also used by the School Dept. for two

special education classes. All activities at the Center are supervised during the year. The Center is also the headquarters for the Claremont Senior Citizens Club, which was organized by the Center in 1956. They hold regular weekly meetings and conduct various types of programs for the enjoyment of their members. It is also headquarters for the Bridge Club, Chess Club, Garden Club, Karate classes, Hunter Safety program, Weight Watchers, Blind Asso., Extension Service clubs, Girl Scouts Campers Asso., Model Airplane Club, Union meetings, Church of Christ, Speech Therapy Class, and many civic groups. It is open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Mondays through Fridays and 9 a.m. to noon on Saturdays. The building can also be made available to special events on Saturday afternoons and Sundays.

Improvements to the building include new light fixtures to replace old ones throughout the building; kitchen and ceilings of various rooms were

The 1972 Swim Team enjoyed an undefeated season under the expert coaching of Olney "Queenie" Quimby and rounded-out the year by capturing the Twin State Valley Swimming and Diving Championship.



painted; new hand wash basins were installed in the men and womens toilets; new circulating motor installed for the boiler; instant hot water was installed in the kitchen, donated by N.C. Marro; new refrigerator was purchased for the kitchen. Floodlights were installed in the rear of the building; a striking bag platform was purchased; new pool table purchased, new ping pong table purchased and new chairs purchased through the generosity of the Rotary Club.

Three Commissioners were re-elected to the Board - Mrs. Cynthia McKee, Mr. Morey Miles, and Mr. William Kirn, Jr. Other members of the Commission are Mr. Vincent Perkins, chairman, Mrs. Dorothy Maxfield, Mrs. Jacqueline Whitcomb, Mr. Victor Szalucka, Mr. Vernard Gardner, Mr. Nicholas Marro.

The Center is used by the American Youth Hostellers from the last of June through August with approximate 425 hostellers here for an overnight stay. Other buildings are available to the Center in which to conduct programs too large for the Center building. One of these being the Junior Sports League building, a branch of the Recreation Department is available to the public for square dancing, badminton, roller skating on Sunday afternoons and Wednesday evenings up through the first of June. Purchased by this department for the benefit of our tennis players, a portable tennis court and rebound net for practice during the winter months.

Special Events

The department purchased a stereo radio outfit and piped music to the Broad Street Park bandstand for the enjoyment of the general public. The Twin State Basketball Tournament is conducted in March at the Junior Sports League, in which teams from surrounding areas compete for the championships in three divisions - Midgets, Juniors and Intermediates. A Twin State Valley Little League and Babe Ruth League tournament was held in August with boys teams from around the valley competing for championships. The Claremont Babe Ruth team won the championship for the second consecutive year. The Claremont Recreation department conducted the annual local hula hoop and frisbee contest and was appointed host for the State hula hoop contest. The department conducts games, special programs and fireworks for the 4th of July celebration conducted by the Rotary and Kiwanis Clubs.

A new program, the Performing Arts, was inaugurated with 25 youngsters of high school age participating, under the direction of James Laquerre and Sharon Johnson. The group put on three plays and also variety programs, plus special performances. The department sponsored the international famous dance team, the Westchester Lariats and a basketball clinic conducted by the Harlem Diplomats, a famous traveling

basketball team. The Little Red Wagon from the University of New Hampshire was sponsored by the department for performance for the playground children. The Lollipop Carnival and Day of Champions were also part of the playground program. Pool and ping pong tournaments were held. The Ski and Skate exchange was conducted at the Center for used equipment. A mothers and fathers and son Little League game was held. A playground outing at Mountain Park in Holyoke, Mass. was another highlight of the playground.

The department erected the Nativity scene in Broad Street Park and was also involved in a program during the holiday season, distributing toys, clothing and food baskets to needy families. A specialist from the State Recreation Department conducted a special program for the senior citizens entitled Crafts-Reation, at which the seniors were taught to make interesting and useful articles from scrap materials. The department had a weekly series of eight band concerts conducted by the American Band during the summer months in Broad Street Park, with one of them conducted at the 4th of July celebration.

The Department has served many individuals and organizations through the loan of equipment, counselling groups in their programs.

The Department is always open to suggestion and constructive criticism concerning ways in which the youth and adults may better be served.

Members of the staff are dedicated to improvements and providing increased programs for leisure time activities for the citizens of Claremont.

Respectfully submitted

Anthony N. Zotto, Supt.
Recreation & Parks Department

CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

32 Tremont Square
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NEW HAMPSHIRE:

CLAREMONT

1. Location:

Sullivan County. Shopping center for 35 mi radius in N.H. and Vt. Center for machine tool industry 100 mi from Boston on State Highways 11, 12 & 103; near I-91 and I-89.

2. Transportation:

Railroads - B & M; Claremont & Concord

13 Motor freight carriers

Intercity bus lines - Vt. Transit and Greyhound

3. Population:

Corp. City - 14,221 (70) local est.	14,440
City zone, local est.	13,925
Ret. trad. zone, local est.	33,350
County - 30,949 (70) local est.	31,500
City & RTZ, local est.	42,275

4. Households:

1970 census - city	4796
county	10,017

5. Banks:

1 Savings Bank - deposits	\$31,000,000
2 Commercial Banks - deposits	32,000,000

6. Passenger Autos:

County - 12,842

7. Electric Meters:

Residence - 4,000

8. Gas Meters:
Residence - 1,350

9. Principal Industries:

Industry	No. Wage earners	Av. wkly wage
Mining Machinery	1425	\$110.
Woolens	282	85.
Plastics	200	95.
Paper	50	100.
Machine tools	6000	125.
Neolite	1300	95.
Principal industrial pay days - Thursday & Friday		

10. Climate:

Minimum & maximum temps

Spring - 36/66

Summer - 54/80

Fall - 24/58

Winter 8/40

First killing frost Sept. 20. Last killing frost June 7th.

11. Tap Water:

Acid/soft

12. Retailing:

Principal shopping center:

4 blocks on Pleasant

3 blocks on Tremont

2 blocks on Broad

2 blocks on Main

2 blocks on Sullivan

Neighborhood shopping centers:

2 blocks on Washington

1 on Maple Avenue

Nearby shopping centers:

Upper Valley Plaza 25 miles

Lebanon Mall 25 miles

Miracle Mile 25 miles

Springfield Plaza 12 miles

Principal shopping days:
Thursday, Friday & Saturday

Stores open evenings:
Thursday & Friday

Super markets open every evening till 9:30

13. Retail Outlets:

Department stores

Montgomery Ward, Sears Roebuck, Merit Clothing,
Giants, W.T. Grants, Marsons.

Variety Stores

Woolworths & Fishmans

Chain Drugs

Rexall, Adams & General Sales

Chain Food Supermarkets:

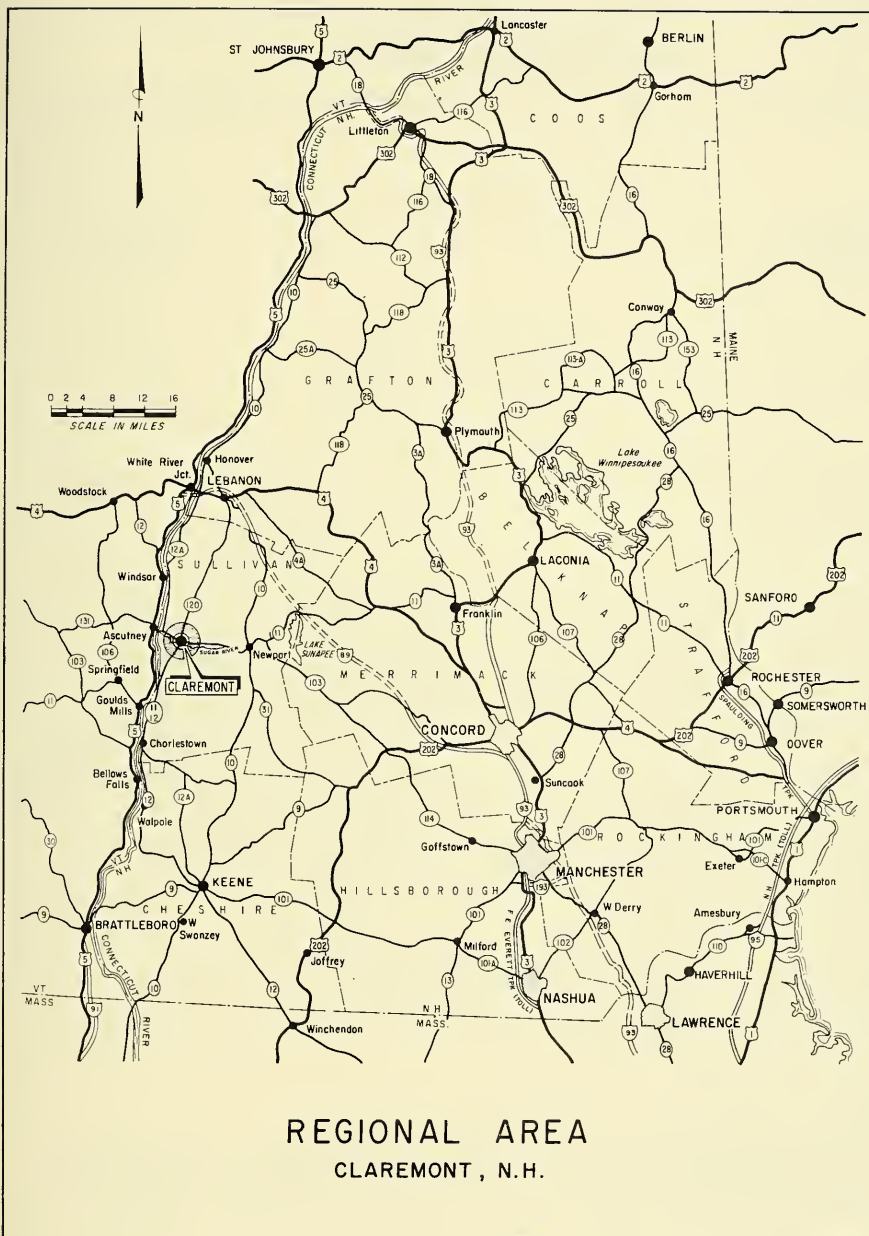
A&P, First National, Jiffy Mart,
IGA, Big Save, Grand Union, Bellevance.

Other chains:

Puritan, W.E. Aubuchon, Western Auto,
Sherwin Williams, Standard Auto and Goodyear Tire

14. Newspapers:

Daily Eagle - coverage 8,196



FINANCIAL REPORT

JOHN E. RICH & COMPANY

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May 10, 1973

To The Mayor, Councilmen and City Manager
City of Claremont
New Hampshire

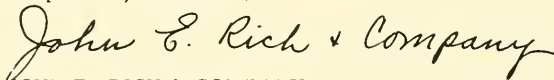
Gentlemen:

We have made an examination of the Balance Sheets of the City of Claremont as at December 31, 1972, and the related Statements of Surplus, Revenue and Appropriations. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, and accordingly included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In accordance with practices followed by New Hampshire municipalities, the accounts are kept on a modified accrual basis. Property, buildings, equipment and the related depreciation are shown only for self-supporting units. Accrued interest receivable on taxes and investments and accrued interest payable on indebtedness are not shown at year-end, but are reflected in the revenues and appropriations of the following year.

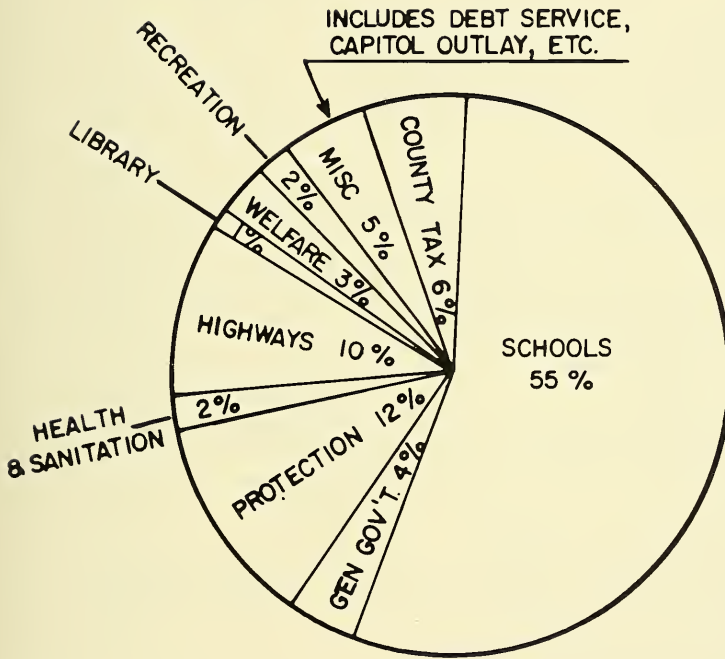
In our opinion, the accompanying Financial Statements present fairly the financial position of the City of Claremont at December 31, 1972, and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles for municipalities applied on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

Respectfully submitted,



JOHN E. RICH & COMPANY
Accountants and Auditors

CITY OF CLAREMONT



Appropriations for 1972

CITY OF CLAREMONT
Comments on Financial Statements

Balance Sheet of Revenue Accounts

Exhibit A-1 shows the balance sheet of the revenue and appropriation accounts. All other independently operated departments and activities have been shown and commented on separately in this report.

Tax collections, exclusive of Resident Taxes, of the current year's levy compared to taxes assessed for the years 1972 and 1971 were as follows:

	Levy of 1972		Levy of 1971	
	Amount	Percent	Amount	Percent
Taxes Collected	\$2,705,874	90.5	\$2,595,338	90.7
Taxes Abated	15,472	.5	3,307	0.1
Uncollected Taxes at December 31	268,406	9.0	262,077	9.2
City Taxes Assessed	\$2,989,752	100.0	\$2,860,722	100.0

Accounts Receivable - Regular and Accounts Receivable - State of New Hampshire totaled \$7,083.50. These amounts were properly reflected in the 1972 revenue.

Late in 1972 the city paid \$16,830.00 for the breaching of the weakened Whitewater Brook Upper Dam. The city was reimbursed by the Water Department for this extraordinary expenditure in 1973.

Summary of Revenue Sharing Fund

Received in 1972	\$ 50,876.00
Received on January 9, 1973	48,820.00
Received on April 11, 1973	29,926.00
Total	\$129,622.00

The total amount has been invested in certificates of deposit with the Claremont Savings Bank.

Statement of Changes in Unappropriated Surplus

Following is a condensed summary of Exhibit A-2:

Balance, January 1, 1972	\$ 19,158.38
Excess of Revenue over Budget and Expenditures under Appropriations for Year	106,399.58
Unexpended Balances of Completed Projects	37,884.97
Balance, December 31, 1972	\$163,442.93

Comparative Statement of Estimated and Actual Revenues

Exhibit A-3 shows actual revenues of \$4,204,542.93 as compared with a budget estimate of \$4,142,386.57, which resulted in an excess of actual over estimated of \$62,156.36.

Comments on Financial Statements - Continued

Comparative Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures

Exhibit A-4 shows actual expenditures of \$4,098,143.35 as compared with budget appropriation of \$4,142,386.57, which resulted in an excess of appropriations over actual expenditures of \$44,243.22.

Other City Departments and Agencies

Water Department

Exhibit B-2 shows the balance sheet of the Water Department as at December 31, 1972, with Schedule B-2 showing the details of property, plant and equipment.

Exhibit B-3 shows that the results from operations for 1972 resulted in a net loss of \$99,969.51.

The loss of \$99,969.51 is attributable to the expenses and write-off of the breaching of the Whitewater Brook Upper Dam in the amount of \$146,969.20. If it had not been for this extraordinary item, the Water Department would have had a net income of \$46,999.69 after deducting depreciation.

Exhibit B-4 shows the changes in financial position for the year ended December 31, 1972.

Sewer Department

Exhibit B-5 shows the balance sheet of the Sewer Department as at December 31, 1972. The city continues its planning on a new sewage treatment plant and sewer and storm drain pipelines.

Exhibit B-6 shows that the results from operations for 1972 resulted in a net loss of \$3,658.83. However, the net income before the deduction for depreciation (a non-cash item) was \$10,327.15.

Exhibit B-7 shows the changes in financial position for the year ended December 31, 1972.

General Indebtedness

Exhibit D-2 shows the balance sheet of General Indebtedness as at December 31, 1972. A condensed summary of Exhibit D-2 and the activity for 1972 is as follows:

	Balance 12/31/71	1972	Balance 12/31/72
		Issued Paid	
Short-Term Notes	\$ 90,000	\$ - \$ 30,000	\$ 60,000
Long-Term Notes	181,089	- 19,589	161,500
Bonds	1,055,000	- 85,000	970,000
Totals	\$1,326,089	\$ - \$134,589	\$1,191,500
Due from State of N. H.	\$ 30,000	\$ - \$ 30,000	\$ -
Due from Junior Sports League	5,000	- 800	4,200
Amount to be Retired from Future Appropriations of:			
Water Department	813,394	- 67,321	746,073
Sewer Department	23,040	- 5,760	17,280
City Budget	454,655	- 30,708	423,947
Totals	\$1,326,089	\$ - \$134,589	\$1,191,500

**BALANCE SHEET OF REVENUE ACCOUNTS
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1972**

ASSETS

Cash		
General	\$ 854,095.62	
Office Cash Funds	350.00	
	<hr/>	\$ 854,445.62
Investment - Revenue Sharing		50,876.00
Accounts Receivable - Regular	1,917.17	
- State of N.H.	5,166.33	
- Water Department	16,830.00	
	<hr/>	23,913.50
Uncollected Taxes - Schedule A-1		
Current Year - Property Taxes	267,322.15	
- Resident Taxes	18,510.00	
- Timber Yield Taxes	1,083.96	
Prior Years - Property Taxes	1,069.71	
	<hr/>	287,985.82
Unredeemed Taxes - Schedule A-1	48,658.84	
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Total Uncollected Taxes		336,644.66
Tax Deeded Property		827.49
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TOTAL ASSETS		\$1,266,707.27
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LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS

Accounts Payable - General Fund		\$ 6,601.18
Due State of New Hampshire		
Resident Taxes	\$ 8,352.00	
Timber Yield Taxes	180.54	
State Head Taxes	82.50	
	<hr/>	8,615.04
Unexpended Balance of Revenue Sharing		50,876.00
Unexpended Balances of Appropriations, etc.		
School Tax	1,031,005.21	
Airport Beacon	1,909.91	
Police Photo Lab and Special Cruiser Account	4,127.00	
Welfare Emergency Fund	30.00	
Park Department	100.00	
	<hr/>	1,037,172.12
Surplus - Exhibit A-2		163,442.93
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TOTAL LIABILITIES AND SURPLUS		\$1,266,707.27
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CITY OF CLAREMONT
SCHEDULE OF UNCOLLECTED TAXES
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1972

	Property	Unredeemed	Resident	Timber Yield
1969	\$ 242.02	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
1970	34.50	12,580.71	-	-
1971	793.19	36,078.13	-	-
<hr/>				
Totals - Prior Years -				
Exhibit A-1	1,069.71	48,658.84	-	-
1972 Current Year -				
Exhibit A-1	267,322.15	-	18,510.00	1,083.96
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Total Uncollected				
Taxes	\$268,391.86	\$ 48,658.84	\$ 18,510.00	\$ 1,083.96
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Exhibit A-2

CITY OF CLAREMONT
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN UNAPPROPRIATED SURPLUS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1972

Balance, January 1, 1972	\$ 19,158.38
Increases	
Unexpended Balances of Completed Projects:	
Joy Road	\$ 29,921.03*
Washington Street	13,189.07*
Sidewalks	942.45
Airport Hanger	522.68
Urban Renewal - Beaudry Block	(6,690.26)
	<hr/> 37,884.97
To Close Revenue and Appropriation Accounts:	
Excess Revenue over Budget - Exhibit A-3	62,156.36
Expenditures under Appropriations - Exhibit A-4	44,243.22
Surplus Generated in 1972	<hr/> 106,399.58
BALANCE, December 31, 1972 - Exhibit A-1	<hr/> \$163,442.93 <hr/>

*Primarily prior years' TRA Funds received from State of New Hampshire that were not necessary for the completion of these projects.

CITY OF CLAREMONT
STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED AND ACTUAL REVENUES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1972

Exhibit A-3

	Estimated Revenues	Actual Revenues	Actual Over (Under) Estimated
Tax Collector			
Interest on Taxes	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 13,004.69	\$ 4,004.69
State of New Hampshire			
Business Profits Tax	496,961.00	496,960.96	(.04)
Rooms and Meals Tax	69,418.00	69,159.13	(258.87)
Resident Taxes	37,268.00	36,549.35	(718.65)
Block Grant - Gas Tax	66,801.00	66,801.85	.85
Interest and Dividend Tax	31,606.00	31,605.72	(.28)
Savings Bank Tax	12,818.00	12,818.32	.32
Railroad Tax	651.00	651.10	.10
Fighting Forest Fires	300.00	191.87	(108.13)
Old Age Assistance	1,400.00	1,915.77	515.77
Timber Yield Taxes	1,668.00	1,816.63	148.63
Juvenile Officer	3,700.00	4,955.43	1,255.43
Gas Reimbursement			
Police	5,000.00	5,831.15	831.15
Highway	2,000.00	1,390.25	(609.75)
Head Tax	750.00	-	(750.00)
Water Pollution Aid	1,355.00	1,355.00	-
	731,696.00	732,002.53	306.53
Motor Vehicle Permits	140,000.00	160,146.34	20,146.34
Other Licenses and Permits			
Building and Business License			
Permits	2,500.00	7,268.48	4,768.48
Dog Licenses	2,000.00	1,824.00	(176.00)
Milk Licenses	60.00	62.00	2.00
Filing Fees	20.00	115.00	95.00
Clerk's Fees	2,500.00	2,728.98	228.98
	7,080.00	11,998.46	4,918.46
District Court	19,000.00	32,933.40	13,933.40
Rent of City Property			
Ball Place	144.00	144.00	-
Airport	1,782.00	1,771.07	(10.93)
	1,926.00	1,915.07	(10.93)

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Exhibit A-3
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CITY OF CLAREMONT
STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED AND ACTUAL REVENUES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1972

	Estimated Revenues	Actual Revenues	Actual Over (Under) Estimated
City Departments			
Police	\$ 5,350.00	\$ 10,280.07	\$ 4,930.07
Highway	28,500.00	29,124.70	624.70
Library	100.00	85.00	(15.00)
Welfare	250.00	1,710.81	1,460.81
Park	8,200.00	442.00	(7,758.00)
Cemetery	10,500.00	10,216.10	(283.90)
Parking Meters	21,300.00	19,839.54	(1,460.46)
	<u>74,200.00</u>	<u>71,698.22</u>	<u>(2,501.78)</u>
Joy Industrial Committee Fund	<u>27,629.00</u>	<u>27,629.00</u>	<u>-</u>
Other Revenue			
Cemetery Trust Fund	10,000.00	9,404.99	(595.01)
Joy Manufacturing Company - In Lieu of Taxes	128,800.00	143,846.00	15,046.00
Claremont Housing	3,500.00	2,298.09	(1,201.91)
Miscellaneous	5,500.00	5,346.14	(153.86)
	<u>147,800.00</u>	<u>160,895.22</u>	<u>13,095.22</u>
Amount to be Raised by			
Property Taxes	<u>2,981,276.57</u>	<u>2,981,271.17</u>	<u>(5.40)</u>
Added Taxes for 1972	<u>-</u>	<u>8,268.93</u>	<u>8,268.93</u>
National Bank Stock Tax	<u>2,779.00</u>	<u>2,779.90</u>	<u>.90</u>
TOTALS	<u>\$4,142,386.57</u>	<u>\$4,204,542.93</u>	
Excess of Actual Over Estimated Revenues - Transferred to Unappropriated Surplus - Exhibit A-2			<u>\$ 62,156.36</u>

STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES Exhibit A-4
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1972

	1972		Actual
	Budget		Over (Under)
General Government	Appropriations	Expenditures	Appropriations
City Officers' Salaries	\$ 63,636.00	\$ 65,413.35	\$ 1,777.35
City Officers' Expenses	40,976.00	38,897.39	(2,078.61)
Election and Registration	5,740.00	5,864.86	124.86
District Court	13,780.00	14,212.64	432.64
City Hall and Court House	15,642.00	16,395.07	753.07
Planning Board	5,000.00	4,728.20	(271.80)
Economical Development	27,629.00	27,629.00	-
Zoning Board	150.00	100.00	(50.00)
	<hr/> 172,553.00	<hr/> 173,240.51	<hr/> 687.51
Protection of Persons and Property			
Police Department	216,451.00	211,457.73	(4,993.27)
Fire Department	159,825.00	152,363.21	(7,461.79)
Care of Trees	1,890.00	1,212.00	(678.00)
Damage by Dogs	1,500.00	2,011.00	511.00
Civil Defense	775.00	783.96	8.96
Insurance and Retirement	127,973.00	114,948.91	(13,024.09)
	<hr/> 508,414.00	<hr/> 482,776.81	<hr/> (25,637.19)
Health Department			
Health Officer's Expense	5,350.00	4,735.07	(614.93)
Visiting Nurse Association	15,943.00	11,000.00	(4,943.00)
Garbage Collection	17,007.00	13,803.49	(3,203.51)
City Refuse Disposal Plant	10,471.00	35,913.75	25,442.75
Claremont General Hospital	10,000.00	10,000.00	-
	<hr/> 58,771.00	<hr/> 75,452.31	<hr/> 16,681.31
Highways and Bridges			
Salaries	166,380.00	157,856.85	(8,523.15)
Highway Maintenance - Summer	81,025.00	68,918.73	(12,106.27)
Highway Maintenance - Winter	35,600.00	48,503.55	12,903.55
Equipment Maintenance	47,171.00	56,290.60	9,119.60
Garage Building	5,850.00	6,941.07	1,091.07
Drainage	8,000.00	8,538.37	538.37
Sidewalk Maintenance	5,000.00	2,264.87	(2,735.13)
Traffic Signs and Markings	4,000.00	4,024.77	24.77
Town Road Aid - B Funds	8,230.00	-	(8,230.00)
Street Lighting	45,500.00	44,575.26	(924.74)
	<hr/> 406,756.00	<hr/> 397,914.07	<hr/> (8,841.93)

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	Exhibit A-4 (Continued)		
Library	\$ 52,213.00	\$ 52,374.75	\$ 161.75
Public Welfare			
Old Age Assistance	57,000.00	44,829.27	(12,170.73)
City Welfare Expense	50,000.00	40,229.51	(9,770.49)
Ambulance	25,500.00	24,923.24	(576.76)
Patriotic Services	650.00	650.00	-
	133,150.00	110,632.02	(22,517.98)
Recreation			
Park Department	40,602.00	40,637.36	35.36
Recreation Department	56,985.00	57,004.39	19.39
Junior Sports League	2,500.00	3,153.46	653.46
	100,087.00	100,795.21	708.21
Public Service Enterprises			
Cemeteries	35,111.00	33,920.93	(1,190.07)
Airport	6,500.00	6,291.62	(208.38)
	41,611.00	40,212.55	(1,398.45)
Unclassified - Legal Expenses, Advertising, Refund, Lebanon Airport	2,750.00	2,675.00	(75.00)
Debt Service			
Principal - Bonds and Notes	72,107.95	72,107.94	(.01)
Interest - Bonds and Notes (Net)	37,000.00	25,334.25	(11,665.75)
	109,107.95	97,442.19	(11,665.76)
New Equipment			
Highway, Parks and Cemetery	56,000.00	53,478.00	(2,522.00)
County Tax	237,108.33	237,108.33	-
School District	2,252,153.21	2,252,153.21	-
Overlay (Taxes Abated)	11,712.08	21,888.39	10,176.31
TOTALS	\$4,142,386.57	\$4,098,143.35	
Excess of Appropriations over Actual Expenditures - Transfers to Unappropriated Surplus - Exhibit A-2			\$ 44,243.22

CITY OF CLAREMONT
WATER DEPARTMENT - BALANCE SHEET
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1972

ASSETS

Property, Plant and Equipment, At Cost -		
Schedule B-2	\$3,037,373.36	
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	675,868.35	
Net Depreciated Value	<u> </u>	\$2,361,505.01
Current Assets		
Cash and Checking Accounts	11,282.91	
Cash - Savings Accounts	136,831.50	
Accounts Receivable	6,519.14	
Accounts Receivable - EEA Grant	457.60	
Materials and Supplies	38,322.83	
Total Current Assets	<u> </u>	193,413.98
TOTAL ASSETS		<u><u>\$2,554,918.99</u></u>

LIABILITIES AND PROFIT AND LOSS

Capital Liabilities		
Municipal Investment	\$ 336,359.50	
Contributions in Aid of Construction	378,408.44	
Funded Debt	746,073.00	
Total Capital Liabilities	<u> </u>	\$1,460,840.94
Current Liabilities		
Accrued Interest	7,873.26	
Escrow Deposit	75.00	
Due to General Fund	16,830.00	
Total Current Liabilities	<u> </u>	24,778.26
Profit and Loss		
Balance, January 1, 1972	1,169,269.30	
Net Loss - Exhibit B-3	(99,969.51)	
Balance, December 31, 1972	<u> </u>	1,069,299.79
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND PROFIT AND LOSS		<u><u>\$2,554,918.99</u></u>

CITY OF CLAREMONT
DETAILS OF PROPERTY, PLANT AND EQUIPMENT
WATER DEPARTMENT
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1972

Schedule B-2

	Cost	Accumulated Depreciation	Net Depreciated Value
Water Supply Land	\$ 42,051.50	\$ -	\$ 42,051.50
Pumping Station Land	500.00	-	500.00
Water Supply Structures	1,350.00	1,029.00	321.00
Pumping Station Structures	1,408.42	591.57	816.85
Water Storage Structures	7,642.72	2,854.92	4,787.80
Purification System Structures	10,900.00	4,231.04	6,668.96
Storage Department Structures	6,778.35	4,587.63	2,190.72
Other Structures - Office	24,868.44	12,885.39	11,983.05
Water Supply Reservoir	1,171,082.79	119,443.58	1,051,639.21
Pumping Station Equipment	4,910.90	2,716.78	2,194.12
Purification Equipment	12,668.12	12,668.12	-
Transmission Mains	96,106.26	57,384.91	38,721.35
Distribution Mains	1,353,942.46	334,143.91	1,019,798.55
Services	140,034.13	53,451.09	86,583.04
Hydrants	49,912.20	14,075.13	35,837.07
Meters	70,010.24	28,841.80	41,168.44
Other Equipment	43,206.83	26,963.48	16,243.35
TOTALS - Exhibit B-2	\$3,037,373.36	\$ 675,868.35	\$2,361,505.01

CITY OF CLAREMONT
WATER DEPARTMENT - STATEMENT OF INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1972

Exhibit B-3

Revenue

Commercial and Industrial Sales	\$205,503.55	
Merchandise Sales and Job Work	2,875.68	
Office Building Rental	2,100.00	
Interest	6,831.50	
Miscellaneous	95.00	
Total Revenue	<u> </u>	\$217,405.73

Operating Expenses

Water Supply Expenses

Source of Supply Labor	\$ 1,038.55	
Source of Supply Expense	24,733.68	
Purification Labor	1,385.29	
Gravity System Maintenance	355.82	
Purification Maintenance	1,651.30	
Calgon Expense	2,362.77	
Power Purchased	4,405.18	
Total Water Supply Expenses	<u> </u>	35,932.59

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CITY OF CLAREMONT
WATER DEPARTMENT - STATEMENT OF INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1972

Distribution Expense

Superintendence	\$ 5,563.54	
Meter Reading Labor	5,412.56	
Repairs to Mains	4,044.58	
Repairs to Services	1,989.30	
Repairs to Hydrants	4,173.70	
Repairs to Meters	881.15	
Total Distribution Expenses	<u> </u>	\$ 22,064.83

General and Miscellaneous Expenses

Office Salaries	7,343.09	
Maintenance of Equipment	732.20	
Other Supplies and Expenses	2,435.43	
Insurance	1,611.50	
Stationery and Printing	923.57	
Relief Department and Pensions	11,663.65	
Shop and Garage Expenses	8,954.88	
Taxes	647.40	
Interest	32,620.21	
Total Gen. and Misc. Expenses	<u> </u>	66,931.93
Total Operating Expenses		<u> </u> \$124,929.35

Net Operating Income Before Depreciation and Extraordinary Item

		92,476.38
Depreciation - A Non-Cash Item		45,476.69
		<u> </u>
Net Income Before Extraordinary Item		46,999.69
Extraordinary Item - Breaching of the White Water Brook Upper Dam		
Expense - Whitman and Howard	16,830.00	
Loss on the Write-off of the Breached Dam from the Books	130,139.20	146,969.20
	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
NET LOSS - Exhibits B-2 and B-4		<u> </u> \$ (99,969.51)

CITY OF CLAREMONT
WATER DEPARTMENT
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FINANCIAL POSITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1972

Working Capital, Balance January 1, 1972

(Current Assets of \$230,604.59 less	
Current Liabilities of \$19,721.47)	\$210,883.12

Additions to Working Capital

Depreciation - A Non-Cash Item	\$ 45,476.69	
Increase in Contributions in Aid of Construction	9,725.40	
Decrease in Property, Plant and Equipment:		
Water Supply Reservoir - Net of Accumulated Depreciation	130,139.20	
Total Additions	\$185,341.29	

Deductions from Working Capital

Net Loss - Exhibit B-3	99,969.51	
Decrease in Funded Debt	67,321.00	
Additions to Property, Plant and Equipment:		
Water Supply Reservoir	37,536.25	
Distribution Mains	10,433.25	
Services	3,255.97	
Hydrants	3,153.28	
Meters	665.83	
Other Equipment	5,253.60	
Total Deductions	227,588.69	
Decrease in Working Capital		(42,247.40)

Working Capital, Balance December 31, 1972

(Current Assets of \$193,413.98 less	
Current Liabilities of \$24,778.26)	\$168,635.72

**CITY OF CLAREMONT
SEWER DEPARTMENT - BALANCE SHEET
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1972**

ASSETS

Property, Plant and Equipment, At Cost

Sewer System	\$136,818.74
Treatment Plant	100,726.29
Whitman Howard Sewer Survey	39,900.00
Mains	426,468.66
Services	40,382.13
Sewer Equipment	9,880.70
Auto Equipment	8,933.95
Office Equipment	2,815.10
Shop Equipment	3,195.92
Disposal Plant	559.08
Radio Equipment	400.00

Total	770,080.57
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	314,497.16

Net Depreciated Value \$455,583.41

Current Assets

Cash - Petty and Office	325.00
Cash - Checking Account	10,093.83
Accounts Receivable	1,834.24
Materials and Supplies	4,128.81

Total Current Assets 16,381.88

TOTAL ASSETS **\$471,965.29**

LIABILITIES AND PROFIT AND LOSS

Current Liabilities

Accrued Interest \$ 627.68

Notes Payable - Claremont National Bank 17,280.00

Notes Payable - Indian Head National Bank 11,500.00

Municipal Investment 335,000.00

Contributions to Aid in Construction 20,324.91

Profit and Loss

Balance, January 1, 1972 \$ 90,891.53

Net Loss - Exhibit B-6 (3,658.83)

Balance, December 31, 1972 87,232.70

TOTAL LIABILITIES AND PROFIT AND LOSS **\$471,965.29**

CITY OF CLAREMONT
SEWER DEPARTMENT - STATEMENT OF INCOME
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1972

Revenue

Sewer Rentals	\$ 62,301.40	
Merchandise Sales and Job Work	1,004.15	
Entrance Fees	240.00	
Total Revenue	<u> </u>	\$ 63,545.55

Operating Expenses**Sewer Expenses**

Plugged and Frozen Services	\$ 2,480.92	
Plugged and Frozen Mains	1,437.34	
Repairs and Maintenance - Mains	4,103.82	
Repairs and Maintenance - Services	301.33	
Total Sewer Expenses	<u> </u>	8,323.41

Treatment Plant Expenses

Power Purchased	517.52	
Chlorine and Lime	143.19	
Fuel Oil	543.90	
Plant Operator	7,015.32	
Other Labor	8,504.47	
Repairs	2,733.88	
Supplies	535.57	
Miscellaneous	268.58	
Total Treatment Plant Expenses	<u> </u>	20,262.43

General and Miscellaneous Expenses

Superintendence	4,359.96	
Office Salaries	6,281.89	
Office Supplies and Expenses	1,542.81	
Insurance	894.50	
Legal and Accounting	17.50	
Shop and Garage Expense	1,988.92	
Relief Department and Pensions	7,987.12	
Interest	1,418.24	
Bad Debts	141.62	
Total General and Administrative Expenses	<u> </u>	24,632.56

Total Operating Expenses 53,218.40

Net Operating Income Before Depreciation

10,327.15

Depreciation - A Non-Cash Item

13,985.98

NET LOSS - Exhibits B-5 and B-7

\$ (3,658.83)

**CITY OF CLAREMONT
SEWER DEPARTMENT**

Exhibit B-7

**STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FINANCIAL POSITION
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1972**

Working Capital, Balance January 1, 1972

(Current Assets of \$12,386.75 Less Current

Liabilities of \$351.36)

\$ 12,035.39

Additions to Working Capital

Depreciation - A Non-Cash Item \$ 13,985.98

Contributions to Aid in Construction 1,273.05

Increase in Notes Payable - Indian

Head National Bank 11,500.00

Total Additions \$ 26,759.03

Deductions from Working Capital

Net Loss - Exhibit B-6 3,658.83

Decrease in Notes Payable -

Claremont National Bank 5,760.00

Additions to Whitman Howard

Sewer Survey 11,500.00

Additions to Mains 1,340.62

Additions to Services 780.77

Total Deductions 23,040.22

Increase in Working Capital

3,718.81

Working Capital, Balance December 31, 1972

(Current Assets of \$16,381.88 Less Current

Liabilities of \$627.68)

\$ 15,754.20

CITY OF CLAREMONT

Exhibit D-1

**STATEMENT OF RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES - NON-REVENUE CASH
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1972**

	Balance January 1, 1972	1972 Receipts	1972 Expenditures	Balance December 31, 1972
Fiske Free Library	\$22,734.21	\$ 1,272.61	\$ 2,527.27	\$21,479.55
Airport Hanger	522.68	-	522.68*	-
Joy Road	29,921.05	-	29,921.05**	-
Washington Street	13,189.07	-	13,189.07**	-
Sidewalks	942.45	-	942.45*	-
Tennis Court and Barnes Park	773.00	-	773.00*	-
Urban Renewal (Beaudry Block)	(6,690.26)	6,690.26**	-	-
Monadnock Park Bleachers	226.00	-	226.00*	-
TOTAL	<u>\$61,618.20</u>	<u>\$ 7,962.87</u>	<u>\$48,101.52</u>	<u>\$21,479.55</u>

* Transferred to Surplus.

** Transferred to Surplus. Balance consists primarily of excess budgeting of matching TRA Funds. These particular projects have now been completed.

CITY OF CLAREMONT
BALANCE SHEET OF GENERAL INDEBTEDNESS
AS AT DECEMBER 31, 1972

ASSETS

Amount to be Provided for Future Retirement of Bonds and Notes	\$1,127,300.00	
Due from Urban Renewal Bond Funds When Issued	60,000.00	
Due from Junior Sports League	4,200.00	
TOTAL ASSETS	<u> </u>	<u>\$1,191,500.00</u>

INDEBTEDNESS

Short-Term Notes

Urban Renewal	\$ 60,000.00
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Long-Term Notes

Purple Pitcher (Cline) Property	\$ 2,400.00
New Equipment	40,000.00
Airport Land Acquisition	30,000.00
Washington Street	40,620.00
Junior Sports League	4,200.00
Meloney Property and Demolition	27,000.00
Sewer Department (For Sewage Treatment Survey)	17,280.00

Bonds

City:

4.25% Issued 10-1-66	\$223,927.00
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Water Department:

2.50% Issued 8-1-55	45,000.00
4.25% Issued 10-1-66	346,073.00
4.20% Issued 10-1-67	355,000.00
	<u> </u>
	970,000.00

TOTAL INDEBTEDNESS

1,131,500.00

\$1,191,500.00

CITY OF CLAREMONT
SCHEDULE OF DEBT RETIREMENT - PRINCIPAL PAYMENTS ONLY
FOR THE YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1972

	Balance December 31, 1972	1973	1974	1975	1976 & After
Short-Term Notes					
Urban Renewal	\$ 60,000.00*				
Long-Term Notes					
Cline Property	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00	\$ -	\$ -
New Equipment	40,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
Airport Land Acquisition	30,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	-
Washington Street	40,620.00	16,460.00	16,460.00	7,700.00	-
Junior Sports League	4,200.00	1,400.00	1,400.00	1,400.00	-
Meloney Property	27,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	9,000.00	-
Sewer Treatment Plant Survey	17,280.00	5,760.00	5,760.00	5,760.00	-
Bonds					
City 4.25%	223,927.00	17,679.00	17,679.00	17,679.00	170,890.00
Water 2.50%	45,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	15,000.00	-
Water 4.25%	346,073.00	27,321.00	27,321.00	27,321.00	264,110.00
Water 4.20%	355,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	25,000.00	280,000.00
Total Long-Term Notes and Bonds	\$1,131,500.00	\$138,820.00	\$138,820.00	\$128,860.00	\$725,000.00

* Note taken in anticipation of Urban Renewal Bond Issue.

IN LASTING TRIBUTE TO THE MEN OF CLAREMONT
WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES IN OUR COUNTRY'S SERVICE



WORLD WAR II
[List of names and dates]



Children inspect the War Memorial Monument erected on the Broad Street Common by the Citizens of Claremont in 1967.



Aerial view of the business district of Claremont with City Hall in the upper right of photo.

